

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated 17 August 2005, Applicant offers the following Amendment and Remarks. Reconsideration and reevaluation of the application, as amended, is
5 respectfully submitted.

At page 3, of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1 through 12, and 17 through 24 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kelley (3,156,026). At page 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 17, 18, 20, 23, and 24 under 35 U.S.C.
10 102(b) as being anticipated by Penission (5,335,756). Also, at page 5 of the Office Action the Examiner indicated that claims 1 through 26, 28 and 29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Humason et al. (1,900,714).

The Examiner indicated, at page 7 of the Office Action, that claim 27 is objected to as
15 being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, Applicant has amended claim 25 to include the elements of former claim 26 and 27. Applicant further notes that original claims 28 and 29, which depend from now allowable claim 25, remain
20 in the application. Claims 1 through 24, and 26 and 27 have been canceled without prejudice nor disclaimer as to the subject matter contained therein.

Lastly, Applicant notes that the Specification has been amended on page 11, line 19, to read "the present invention shown in Figure 2".

25 Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the above-referenced patent application

is now in a position for allowance. If the Examiner and/or Office have any further outstanding issues, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned. Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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